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**Testimony in Support of
S.B. No. 336, 'An Act Concerning the Neighborhood Assistance Tax Credit'**

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As a grandparent at Saint Martha School in Enfield, I without hesitation, support S.B. No. 336.

A tax-credit program would benefit Saint Martha's School progress towards sustaining consistent and constant enrollments on a year to year basis educating future students. Assisting those like me, being able to afford quality education is unmistakably worth every penny.

Socioeconomic diversity and diverse cultures indicate the students becoming entwined with each other which displays respect for all races, higher learning skills are achieved and positive triumphs make Saint Martha School in a league of their own.

Without the scholarships granted to me for my two grandchildren I am raising, I would not be able to sustain the tuition costs. The rising cost in society is everywhere I turn. Thank goodness for the care, commitment and dedication Saint Martha displays daily towards the children of our future society bringing them one step closer to successful achievements and extraordinary citizens.

For these reasons, I urge the committee to support S.B. No. 336.

Sincerely,

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